

**Table D.2. Reference standards for chemicals and metals in water**

Parameter	National drinking water standards		Tennessee water quality criteria <sup>c</sup>		
	Primary <sup>a</sup>	Secondary <sup>b</sup>	Domestic water	Fish and aquatic life	Recreation
				Organisms	Water and organisms <sup>d</sup>
<i>Anions (mg/L)</i>					
Chloride		250			
Fluoride	4	2			
Nitrate	10				
Nitrite	1				
Sulfate, as SO <sub>4</sub>		250			
<i>Base/neutral/acid extractable organics (µg/L)</i>					
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	600			17,000	2,700
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	70			2,600	400
1,3-Dichlorobenzene				2,600	400
1,4-Dichlorobenzene (para)	75	5	75	14,000	70
2,4-Dinitrophenol				91	1.1
2,4-Dinitrotoluene				65	21
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol				765	13.4
2-Methyl-4,6-Dinitrophenol				0.49	0.044
3,4-Benzofluoranthene				0.49	0.044
Benzo(k)fluoranthene				0.49	
Acenaphthylene				2,700	1,200
Anthracene				110,000	9,600
Benzo(a)anthracene				0.49	0.044
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.2		0.2	0.49	0.044
bis-(2-chloroethyl)ether				14	0.31
bis-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate				59	18
Di-n-butyl phthalate				12,000	2,700
Diethyl phthalate				120,000	23,000
Dimethyl phthalate				2,900,000	313,000
Fluoranthene				370	300
Fluorene				14,000	1,300
Hexachlorobenzene	1			0.0077	0.0075
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	50			17,000	240
Hexachloroethane				89	19
Nitrobenzene				1,900	17
Pentachlorophenol	1		20	82	2.8
Pyrene				11,000	960
<i>Field measurements</i>					
Chlorine, mg/L				19	
Dissolved oxygen, mg/L				5	
Temperature, °C			30.5		30.5
Turbidity, JTU <sup>e</sup>	1				
pH, standard units		(6.5, 8.5)	(6.0, 9.0)	(6.5, 8.5)	(6.0, 9.0)
<i>Metals (mg/L)</i>					
Aluminum		0.2			
Antimony	0.006				4.30
Arsenic	0.05		0.05	0.36	0.0014
Barium	2				0.00018
Beryllium	0.004				0.0013
Cadmium	0.005		0.005	0.0039 <sup>f</sup>	
Chromium, total	0.1		0.1		
Chromium (hexavalent)				0.016	
Copper	1.3 <sup>g</sup>	1		0.018 <sup>f</sup>	
Iron		0.3			

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Lead	0.015 <sup>g</sup>		0.005	0.082 <sup>f</sup>	
Manganese		0.05			
Mercury	0.002		0.002	0.0024	0.00015
Nickel	0.1 <sup>h</sup>		0.1	1.418 <sup>f</sup>	4.6
Selenium	0.05		0.050	0.02	0.61
Silver		0.1		0.004 <sup>f</sup>	
Thallium	0.002		0.002		
Zinc		5		0.117 <sup>f</sup>	0.0063
<i>Others</i>					
Asbestos (fibers/L)	7,000,000				
Coliform bacteria (mL)	0.01			0.01	
Color (color units)		15			
Cyanide (mg/L)	0.2		200	0.022	220
Odor (T.O.N.)		3			0.7
Total dissolved solids (mg/L)		500	500		
<i>Pesticides/herbicides/PCBs (µg/L)</i>					
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxin)	0.00003		0.000001	0.000001	
2,4-D	70				
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	50				
4,4'-DDT				1.1	0.0059
4,4'-DDE					0.0059
4,4'-DDD					0.0084
Alachlor	2		2		
Aldicarb sulfoxide	4				
Aldrin				3	0.014
Atrazine	3		3		0.0013
Carbofuran	40		40		
Chlordane	2		2	2.4	0.0059
Dalapon	200		200		0.0057
Dibromochloropropane	0.2		0.2		
Di(ethylhexyl)adipate	400		400		
Di(ethylhexyl)phthalate	7		6		
Dinoseb	7				
Diquat	20				
a-Endosulfan				0.22	159
b-Endosulfan				0.22	159
Endothall	100		100		
Endrin	2			0.18	0.81
Ethylene dibromide	0.05		0.05		0.76
Glyphosate	700		700		
Heptachlor	0.4		0.4	0.52	0.0021
Heptachlor epoxide	0.2		0.2	0.52	0.001
g-BHC (Lindane)	0.2		0.2	2	0.63
Methoxychlor	40		40		0.19
Oxamyl (Vydate)	200		200		
PCB-1242				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1254				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1221				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1232				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1248				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1260				0.00045	0.00044
PCB-1016				0.00045	0.00044

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PCB, total	0.5		0.5		0.00045
Picloram	500		500		0.00044
Simazine	4		4		
Toxaphene	3		3	0.73	0.0073
<i>Volatile organics (µg/L)</i>					
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	200		200		170,000
1,1-Dichloroethene	7		7		32
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	5		5		420
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane			5		110
1,2-Dichloroethane	5		5		990
1,2-Dichloroethene	70 <sup>i</sup>				3.8
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	70		70		
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	100		100		
1,2-Dichloropropane	5		5		39
cis-1,3-Dichloropropane					1,700
trans-1,2-Dichloropropane					1,700
Acrolein					780
Acrylonitrile					6.6
Benzene	5		5		710
Bromodichloromethane	100 <sup>j</sup>				
Bromoform	100 <sup>j</sup>				3,600
Carbon tetrachloride	5		5		44
Chlorobenzene	100				21,000
Chloroethane	200				680
Chloroform	100 <sup>j</sup>				4,700
Dibromochloromethane	100 <sup>j</sup>				340
Ethylbenzene	700		700		29,000
Methylene chloride	5		5		16,000
Styrene	100		100		
Tetrachloroethene	5		5		88.5
Toluene	1,000		1,000		200,000
Trichloroethene	5		5		810
Trihalomethanes, total	100				100
Vinyl chloride	2		2		5,250
Xylene, total	10,000		10,000		20

<sup>a</sup>40 CFR Part 141—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations, Subparts B and G, as amended.

<sup>b</sup>40 CFR Part 143—National Secondary Drinking Water Regulations, as amended.

<sup>c</sup>Rules of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Pollution Control, Chapter 1200-4-3, General Water Quality Criteria, as amended.

<sup>d</sup>These criteria, for the protection of public health, pertain to the consumption of water and organisms. They are applied only to waters designated for both recreation and domestic water supply.

<sup>e</sup>JTU an NTU are roughly equivalent in the range of 25 to 1000 JTU.

<sup>f</sup>The standard is a function of total hardness. The values in this table correspond to a total-hardness value of 100 mg/L.

<sup>g</sup>Action level, which is applicable to community water systems and non-transient, non-community water systems.

<sup>h</sup>EPA has deleted the MCL for nickel from the *Code of Federal Regulations*. The state of Tennessee retains a nickel MCL of 100 g/L in its currently effective drinking water regulations.

<sup>i</sup>See *cis*-Dichlorethane and *trans*-Dichloroethane of uranium isotopes.

<sup>j</sup>Limit for total trihalomethanes (bromodichloromethane + bromoform + chloroform + dibromochloromethane).